

LAWD – Law
Basic First Year Required (LAW)

LAWD 9020 CIVIL PROCEDURE I: PLEADING AND PRACTICE

[3 hours] Study of the rules controlling the jurisdiction of courts and the management of civil litigation. State and federal systems are covered.

LAWD 9110 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW I

[3 hours] Constitutional Law I will cover structural issues focusing on the Supreme Court's interpretation of the nature and distribution of power within the federal government, the relationship between the federal government and the states in regulating commerce, and the meaning and scope of the due process and equal protection clauses of the fourteenth amendment.

LAWD 9210 CONTRACTS I

[3 hours] A survey of the law of contracts including the creation, modification and termination of contract rights obligations, the roles of reliance and restitution, capacity, conditions, third party rights and duties, and the effect of changed circumstances or mistake. Performance and breach of contractual obligations and remedies for breach are also examined in detail. The course includes a survey of the law relating to sales of goods under Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code.

LAWD 9220 CONTRACTS II

[3 hours] A continued survey of the law of contracts including the creation, modification and termination of contract rights and obligations, the roles of reliance and restitution, capacity, conditions, third party rights and duties, and the effect of changed circumstances or mistake. Performance and breach of contractual obligations and remedies for breach are also examined in detail. The course includes a survey of the law relating to sales of goods under Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code.

LAWD 9300 CRIMINAL LAW

[3 hours] Substantive criminal law, focusing on general principles of liability and defenses, the definitional elements of certain crimes, particularly homicide, and principles of accessorial liability.

LAWD 9750 LEGAL RESEARCH, WRITING AND APPELLATE ADVOCACY I

[2 hours] A foundation course providing intensive instruction in three major areas: using research resources and techniques of research; developing skills of legal analysis in predictive and persuasive formats, both written and oral. Instruction is through class meetings, small group meetings and individual conferences.

LAWD 9760 LEGAL RESEARCH, WRITING AND APPELLATE ADVOCACY II
[2 hours] A continuation of Legal Research, Writing and Appellate Advocacy I, this course provides intensive instruction in three major areas: using research resources and techniques of research; developing skills of legal analysis; presenting legal analysis in predictive and persuasive formats, both written and oral. Instruction is through class meetings, small group meetings and individual conferences.

LAWD 9410 PROPERTY I
[3 hours] An introduction to the law of personal property and comprehensive coverage of the law of real property as it relates to estates and interests in land, landlord-tenant relationships, real estate transactions, private agreements respecting the use of land and public controls upon property use.

LAWD 9420 PROPERTY II
[3 hours] Continued study of the law of personal property and comprehensive coverage of the law of real property as it relates to estates and interests in land, landlord-tenant relationships, real estate transactions, private agreements respecting the use of land and public controls upon property use.

LAWD 9510 TORTS
[4 hours] Torts explores civil claims for a variety of intentional harms and offenses to people and property, negligent harms and theories of strict liability (including products liability). The course studies both traditional principles and modern concepts.

**LAWA – Law
Upper Level Required (LAW)**

LAWA 9400 ADVANCED RESEARCH AND WRITING
[1 hour] This course involves an advanced writing project completed under the supervision of a full-time faculty member.

LAWA 9010 CIVIL PROCEDURE II: JURISDICTION
[3 hours] The rules controlling the jurisdiction of courts and the management of civil litigation. State and federal systems are covered.

LAWA 9120 CONSTITUTIONAL LAW II
[3 hours] Constitutional Law II will cover issues of individual rights protected by the Equal Protection Clause of the fourteenth Amendment. It will also cover First Amendment protections against governmental restrictions of speech and the press, with some coverage of First Amendment protections of religion.

LAWA 9310 EVIDENCE

[4 hours] The rules and policies governing a trial court's fact-finding process, as exemplified by the Federal Rules of Evidence. Topics cover the full range of evidentiary issues at trial, including the content of admissible proof, the matter of presenting it and the respective roles of the judge and jury.

LAWA 9000 LEGAL ETHICS AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

[3 hours] An introduction to legal and ethical principles governing lawyers, the legal profession and the practice of law. The course considers the principal ways in which lawyers are regulated through bar admission, professional codes, lawyer disciplinary actions and civil liability. The course explores the lawyer-client relationship and the scope and limits of duties to the client, the legal system and third parties. Prerequisite: Completion of basic first-year courses.

**LAWG – Law
Standard Program (Tested on Many Bars) (LAW)**

LAWG 9030 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

[3 hours] The law and operation of administrative agencies, including agency adjudication, rulemaking and other forms of policy implementation. The course covers agencies' place in the constitutional structure, legislative and executive controls on agency action, and judicial review of agency fact-finding, statutory interpretation, and exercise of discretion. The course examines state agencies as well as federal agencies and the federal Administrative Procedure Act.

LAWG 9010 BUSINESS ASSOCIATIONS

[4 hours] Business Associations focuses on the legal entities commonly used to operate business enterprises, with an emphasis on closely held businesses. The course explores the major issues involved in formation and operation of agency relationships, corporations and limited liability companies. These include creation of business entities; financing for the small business; sharing in earnings; the roles of corporate officers, directors and shareholders; roles of LLC managers and members; doctrines of limited liability; fiduciary duties; and special statutory treatment of closely held corporations.

LAWG 9110 COMMERCIAL PAPER

[3 hours] A study of payment systems. Initial emphasis is upon commercial paper (Article 3 of the Uniform commercial Code) and bank deposits and collections (Article 4 of the Uniform Commercial Code), followed by credit cards (Truth in Lending, Consumer Credit Protection, and Fair Credit Billing Acts), commercial funds transfer (Article 4A of the Uniform Commercial Code) and consumer electronic funds transfer (Electronic Funds Transfers Act).

LAWG 9210 CRIMINAL PROCEDURE-INVESTIGATIONS

[3 hours] A study of the constitutional and statutory limitations on the conduct of criminal investigations and related matters. Includes a discussion of the Fourth Amendment prohibition against unreasonable searches and seizures, the Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination and the Sixth Amendment right to counsel.

LAWG 9500 FEDERAL INCOME TAX

[4 hours] After a brief consideration of the federal income taxation system, this course examines the conceptual problems in defining "income." A detailed treatment of the more significant personal and business deductions, exemptions and credits follows. Statutory methodology and policy considerations (including the "tax expenditure" concept) are developed integrally with substantive topics. In addition, the course considers the tax treatment of gains and losses from the disposition of property, including the capital gains preference and deferral of taxation. Tax shelters and attempts by Congress and the Internal Revenue Service to limit their utilization may be explored as well.

LAWG 9610 SECURED TRANSACTIONS

[3 hours] The creation, enforcement, perfection and priority of security interests in personal property under Article Nine of the Uniform Commercial Code and the federal Bankruptcy Code.

LAWG 9710 TRUSTS AND ESTATES

[3-4 hours] The study of decedents' estates and trust law. Interstate succession, the law of wills, estate administration, formation and administration of trusts and future interests are studied. Common law approaches are contrasted with Ohio and Uniform Probate Code practices. Prerequisite: It is recommended that students complete Property I and II before enrolling in this course.

**LAWI – Law
Law Electives (LAW)**

LAWI 9010 ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

[2-3 hours] An introduction for students without prior accounting experience to the terms and concepts necessary to an understanding of the financial affairs of a client and to the variety of legal contexts in which the lawyer is likely to encounter accounting problems. Students will learn to perform basic financial analysis.

LAWI 9050 ADMIRALTY & MARITIME LAW

[1-2 hours] Useful for any practice proximate to navigable waters, this course surveys admiralty jurisdiction, rights and liabilities of commercial and pleasure boat owners, rights of injured maritime workers and passengers, collision, salvage, maritime liens, cargo claims, and limitation of liability.

LAWI 9830 ADVANCED TOPICS IN EMPLOYMENT LAW

[2-3 hours] This course will cover the most current topics facing practitioners, and the most problematic issues facing clients. Topics will vary each year but may include restrictive covenants, the use of expert testimony in employment law, retaliation, and the latest and developing issues in this area of the law. Students will also choose a current topic to research, and will present their research for class discussion. Assignments involving issues of practical application will be used throughout the course to gain a better understanding of their effect on clients, and effective strategies and preventive measures.

LAWI 9400 AMERICAN LEGAL HISTORY

[2-3 hours] (American Legal Profession) This seminar/course (students may elect either to write a paper or to take an examination) follows the profession's development from the American Revolution through the 1920's and the emergence of university-based professional education, the advent of new client constituencies including corporations, labor organizations, and anti-slavery and other social action groups, the development of standards of professional ethnic and racial minorities. The teaching approach emphasizes comparisons with current practice, critical use of original source materials and development of research and writing skills.

LAWI 9070 ANTITRUST

[2-3 hours] This course will cover the role of competition in a modern market economy, federal antitrust law, regulation and policies. Topics covered include horizontal restraints (price fixing, conspiracy, data dissemination, concerted refusals to deal, etc.); monopolization, attempts to monopolize, and oligopoly; problems concerning the relationship of antitrust to patent law; vertical restraints (restricted distribution, tying arrangements, exclusive dealing etc.); mergers (horizontal, vertical and conglomerate); selected Robinson-Patman Act problems, remedies and enforcement.

LAWI 9150 BIOETHICS AND LAW

[2-3 hours] This course addresses the evolving relationship between medicine, law and ethics. The course focuses on individual topics including the definition of death, decision-making about death and dying, physician-assisted suicide, access to health care, research involving human subjects and genetic engineering.

LAWI 9130 BUSINESS ENTERPRISE TAX

[2-3 hours] An examination of the federal income tax treatment of business enterprises (including corporations, partnerships and limited liability companies) and their owners. The course considers the tax consequences of entity-owner transactions (formation and property contributions, distributions, redemptions and liquidations) as well as entity-level transactions (business operations, mergers,

acquisitions and other business combinations). Prerequisite: Federal Income Tax or consent of the instructor.

LAWI 9140 BUSINESS PLANNING

[2-3 hours] The course considers problems and transactions of business enterprises in a practical fashion. Projects requiring planning, drafting and negotiating, principally on behalf of smaller and closely held businesses, are an integral part of the course. Contractual arrangements typically examined include buy-sell agreements, close corporation/shareholder agreements and limited liability company operating agreements. Recommended: A prior course in federal taxation Prerequisite: Business Associations or permission of the instructor.

LAWI 9040 CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS

[2-3 hours] Civil and Political Rights focuses on a broad array of legal issues and rights in this area of law. Beginning with a history of the topic, the course includes topics such as voting rights, religion, education, discrimination, policy misconduct and prisoners' rights. Current issues are discussed using news articles and videos.

LAWI 9180 COMMUNICATIONS LAW

[2-3 hours] The class explores in detail legal and practical issues arising in connection with various media: newspaper, television and radio stations, cable television and other video providers, and the Internet, including Internet-service providers, web-hosting companies, and web-publishing. We will identify, analyze, and critique the legal doctrines—constitutional, statutory, and common-law—that apply to these media, either individually or collectively. We also study how those doctrines have evolved and will continue to change, as the means of mass communication evolve and converge.

LAWI 9170 CONFLICT OF LAWS

[2-3 hours] This course will study the problems encountered when a transaction or occurrence has a significant relationship to two or more states or countries. The jurisdiction of courts, the effect to be given to out-of-state judgments and the rules of decision in multi-state cases are studied. Both traditional rules and theories and modern developments are analyzed.

LAWI 9530 CONSUMER LAW

[2-3 hours] This course will study the practical application of Consumer Law including student loan law, credit card and debt collection law, Fair Credit Reporting Act, Lemon Law, Predatory Lending, etc.

LAWI 9210 COPYRIGHT LAW

[2-3 hours] A substantive examination of the Copyright Act. This course will cover the fundamentals of copyright law and practice and the challenges to the existing copyright regime by new technologies.

LAWI 9230 CORPORATE FINANCE

[2-3 hours] An advanced exploration of the legal and financial problems encountered in financing corporations, with emphasis on the corporate capital structure, including the rights of holders of various equity and debt securities; the valuation of businesses, as well as corporate equity and debt securities and mergers and acquisitions, including tender offers. Prerequisite: Business Associations or consent of the instructor.

LAWI 9270 CREDITOR/DEBTOR LAW

[2-3 hours] Explores creditors' rights under state law including judgment liens, execution liens, fraudulent conveyances, set off, assignments to benefit creditors and statutory liens. Debtor defenses under state and federal law including constitutional protections, exemptions and counterclaims are evaluated. Following this overview of general creditor execution, the majority of the course is devoted to resolution of claims in federal bankruptcy law. Recommended: Completion of or concurrent enrollment in Secured Transactions.

LAWI 9280 CRIMINAL PROCEDURE-ADJUDICATIONS

[3 hours] A study of the criminal processes from arrest through sentencing and appeal. Topics covered include bail, preliminary hearing, grand jury, plea bargaining and guilty pleas, discovery, fair trial, free press, jury trial, sentencing and double jeopardy. Recommended: Criminal Procedure-Investigations and Evidence.

LAWI 9290 CYBERSPACE LAW

[2-3 hours] This course will explore issues related to the regulation of cyberspace. It is not a course in computer law, copyright, trademark, patent, or other forms of intellectual property law, except as intellectual property law is sui generis in cyberspace. Instead, it is an effort to understand the peculiar problems of Internet regulation. Subject areas will vary as the field develops, but will include such areas as tort liability, freedom of expression, crime and security, privacy, intellectual property rights and protection, regulation, jurisdiction and standards of ethics and propriety. A technical or scientific background is not required. Recommended: Intellectual Property Survey or other Intellectual property course.

LAWI 9030 DEATH PENALTY

[2 hours] This course addresses legal and policy aspects of state and federal death penalty practice. Both prosecutor and defense strategies will be explored. Students will take a final exam or write a paper in lieu of the exam.

LAWI 9090 DISABILITY LAW

[2-3 hours] This course examines the growing area of disability law. Topics to be covered include discrimination based on disability in employment and public accommodations, as well as the requirement for educational institutions to provide special education services to disabled students. Relevant federal statutes will be

examined, including the Americans with Disabilities Act (with special emphasis on the ADA Amendments Act of 2009), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, and the Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act.

LAWI 9020 E-COMMERCE

[1-3 hours] This course will examine critical information technologies that provide a basis for electronic commerce. Topics include problems surrounding electronic commerce such as security, privacy, content selection and rating. Intellectual property rights, authentication, encryption, acceptable use policies, UETA, UCITA and E-Sign.

LAWI 9110 EDUCATION LAW

[3 hours] This course will explore the legal, practical and policy implications of the law surrounding education, both primary and secondary education. The course will cover a wide variety of topics, including: the legal and financial structure of education; the boundaries between public and private education and between church and state; school governance; the constitutional and statutory rights of students (including issues of discrimination, affirmative action, harassment and individuals with disabilities); and the constitutional and statutory rights of teacher. Throughout the course, we will explore the important but perhaps unanswerable question: What is good education and does the law help or hinder its achievement?

LAWI 9300 EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION

[3 hours] This course focuses on the main federal statutes prohibiting employment discrimination and the policies underlying these laws, with the majority of time spent on Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act. Additional topics and subtopics include sexual harassment, discrimination based on sexual orientation, defenses and reasonable accommodation of religion.

LAWI 9310 EMPLOYMENT LAW

[2-3 hours] This course focuses on the major state and federal employment laws affecting individual employees, excluding laws on unions and employment discrimination. Coverage includes the legal regulation of the hiring and firing process, testing and privacy issues, wage and hour laws, occupational health and safety, workers' compensation, unemployment insurance, covenants not to compete, and related topics.

LAWI 9300 ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

[2-4 hours] This course provides an introduction to U.S. environmental law by examining major federal statutes and the policy goals underlying them. Key statutes explored include the Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), and Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA). Through analyzing and

comparing different environmental statutes, students develop an understanding not only of the current environmental regulatory framework, but also of alternative approaches that may be employed to prevent pollution, clean up contamination and protect the environment.

LAWI 9580 ENVIRONMENTAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL LAND USE LAW

[2-3 hours] This course covers both the conservation and preservation-oriented environmental and use regulations that have emerged in the recent years as well as the more traditional, developmentally-oriented controls that have been with us for some time. The environmental land use component of the course covers the regulation of: wetlands coastal zones, floodplains, farmland, open space, critical areas, and groundwater. The developmental land use regulations component includes: zoning, flexible land use controls, subdivision controls, growth controls, aesthetic regulations, historic preservation, and transfer of developmental rights. Prerequisite: Property I and Property II.

LAWI 9360 ESTATE AND GIFT TAX

[2-3 hours] A study of the federal estate and gift tax structure and its impact on the gratuitous transfer of property. Income taxation of trusts and estates and the generation skipping transfer tax are also discussed. Recommended: Trusts and Estates.

LAWI 9350 ESTATE PLANNING

[2-3 hours] This course focuses on the practical and tax aspects of estate planning. Emphasis is placed on the application of estate planning and wealth preservation techniques to commonly encountered estate planning problems. Recommended: Trusts and Estates. Prerequisite: Estate and Gift Tax.

LAWI 9190 EUROPEAN UNION

[2-3 hours] This course will begin with an examination of the history of and legal foundations for the European Union. It will then explore the relationship between individual sovereign states and the EU. Finally, the course will look at various particular bodies of EU law such as free movement of capital, goods and labor; freedom of establishment; harmonization of laws; antitrust and competition policy; currency unification; environmental protection; intellectual property protection; rights to privacy; and women's rights.

LAWI 9370 FAMILY LAW

[3 hours] The interaction of law and the family and the consequences of state intervention in family relationships. Some of the subjects surveyed are the marriage relationship, de facto marriage, adoption, the termination of marital status, economic consequences of divorce, child custody after divorce and the role of the lawyer as counselor.

LAWI 9380 FEDERAL COURTS AND FEDERAL RIGHTS

[3 hours] An intensive examination of the jurisdiction of federal courts, the role of the federal courts within the federal government, and within our federalist system. Topics surveyed include the law applied by federal courts in civil actions, the original and removal jurisdiction of federal courts, the relationship of the federal courts to state courts, congressional power over federal courts, the enforceability of federal law against states, and states' sovereign immunity.

LAWP 9000 FEMINIST LEGAL THEORY SEMINAR

[2 hours] This Seminar will introduce the student to feminist legal theory, including an exploration of various schools of feminist legal thought, as well as the major concepts used in feminist legal theory. The seminar will also explore the practical applications of feminist legal theory in the courts and society, including the economic subordination of women, the sexual subordination of women, and issues surrounding motherhood and reproduction.

LAWI 9250 FORENSIC EVIDENCE LAW

[2-3 hours] A review of the law of scientific evidence and the underlying science employed in detecting and solving crimes and in the reconstruction of accidents. Topics include, accident and injury reconstruction, DNA matching, the identification and toxicology of drugs and alcohol, fingerprint identification, dental matching, the reconstruction of computer files, basics of forensic accounting and hair, fiber and similar matching techniques. Prerequisite: Evidence

LAWI 9080 GENDER AND THE LAW

[2-3 hours] This course covers issues of gender in the law; including family, employment, domestic violence and anti-discrimination law. These issues are examined on both a theoretical and practical level, with a primary focus on jurisprudential approaches to issues of women in the law.

LAWI 9520 HEALTH CARE FINANCE

[2-3 hours] This course will cover the different problems presented by government regulation versus the private market model focusing on managed care (risk allocation, standard of care, consumer information), insurance (basic models of insurance and underwriting), health care licensing, and related ERISA issues as they affect the delivery of health care services.

LAWI 9570 HEALTH CARE PROVIDER LIABILITY

[2-3 hours] This advanced torts course covers quality control in health care, medical malpractice (including tort reform), informed consent and institutional liability, including insurance and managed care responsibility for medical injury.

LAWI 9610 HEALTH CARE REGULATION

[2-3 hours] This course will examine the regulatory environment in which health care organizations operate. An understanding of the public policy objectives

motivating these regulations is critical to effective legal representation of health care professionals in a transactional/regulatory capacity, because the regulatory minefield the health care industry faces is often counterintuitive and at odds with standard practices in the business world. Discussion includes exploration of the development of health care industry regulations over the last two decades; a look at how the industry reached its current heavily regulated and fragmented state; and current legislation to address some of these concerns and implement health care reform at the federal level.

LAWI 9630 HEALTH LAW

[3 hours] This course provides an overview of the legal issues that arise in the health care field. Topics surveyed will include individual and institutional liability, public and private regulation, accreditation and licensure, hospital/medical staff relationships, and the challenge of achieving cost efficiencies, while also maintaining high quality care and improved access to care. Students will learn to identify key legal issues affecting the operation of a health care entity.

LAWI 9440 IMMIGRATION LAW

[2-3 hours] The course is designed to present a survey of immigration and nationality law. It will cover issues of citizenship, as well as, admissions to the United States. The course will address issues of removal and deportation, as well as relief from removal.

LAWI 9460 INSURANCE LAW

[2-3 hours] A study of property, liability and life insurance, and the insurer-insured relationship from a legal vantage point. Numerous concepts are examined during the course, including insurable interest, concealment and misrepresentation, the duty of good faith and fair dealing, scope of coverage, policy interpretation, change of beneficiary, duty to defend, bad faith refusal to settle, measures of recovery, multiple interests coverage, subrogation and other insurance clauses. Several insurance policies are examined in detail.

LAWI 9470 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND LICENSING

[2-3 hours] This course focuses on the commercialization of intellectual property through the use of assignments and licenses. The course will cover intellectual property assignments and licenses, including express and implied licenses, the scope of licenses, bankruptcy issues, anti-trust issues and international licensing. The course will also cover intellectual property audits and patent, trade secret, copyright and trademark law to the extent an understanding of the rights and obligations inherent in such intellectual property classifications are necessary to effectively assign or license intellectual property. Students will analyze several licenses. Prerequisite: Intellectual Property Survey or permission of instructor.

LAWI 9720 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY SURVEY

[2-3 hours] A preparatory course covering Copyright, Patent, Trademark and Trade Secret Law. A broad coverage of intellectual property law is useful for those students who want to learn the fundamentals of intellectual property law either as basis for more advanced courses or to integrate intellectual property law into other substantive courses.

LAWI 9840 INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC ARBITRATION

[2-3 hours] This course conveys a thorough understanding of the law and practice of arbitration: its practical, doctrinal, theoretical, and policy aspects both in the domestic and international spheres.

LAWI 9480 INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS

[2-3 hours] This course introduces students to the issues, problems and legal norms applicable to International Business Transactions. The course will examine various problems that occur in international business as a means of discerning that pitfalls for the unwary, as well as the matters that must be considered to protect one's client. The course will begin with an examination of the issues arising in a basic international sale and will progress through increasingly complex types of business interaction, including distributorships, franchising, licensing, joint ventures and incorporating abroad. Through the course, there will be an emphasis on the U.S., foreign and international laws and standards that may affect the transaction. The course will culminate in a contract negotiation. Students will have to meet with their partners to negotiate a deal and to draft a contract embodying the terms of the deal.

LAWI 9000 INTERNATIONAL COMPARATIVE LAW

[2-3 hours] This course introduces students to the major legal systems of the world. The first third of the course provides an overview of the major families of law encountered in various nations of the world today: common law (as exemplified by California and England); civil law (France and Germany); religious law (Egypt); traditional/tribal law (Botswana); and the extra-legal approach seen in various Asian countries (China). The rest of the course examines how each of these systems handles the same types of common legal situation: inheritance and succession, criminal behavior and contracts.

LAWI 9650 INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

[2-3 hours] This course introduces students to issues, problems and legal norms applicable to environmental concerns in the international arena. The course begins with an examination of the various sources of international law and the applicability and effect that international legal norms have on domestic law (an introduction to basic international law). Next the course will consider the unique nature of environmental problems in the international context. The course will then explore the various norms, treaties and other sources of international law that exist to protect the environment in the context of various problems.

LAWI 9450 INTERNATIONAL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

[2-3 hours] This course reviews: the main international intellectual property instruments (such as TRIPS, Paris Convention, Patent Cooperation Treat, European Patent Convention; Madrid Agreement, Berne and Rome conventions, WIPO treaties), and European main legislative texts (mainly regulations and directives) and main case law on patent, trademark and copyright. We also review the principal differences between the common law based system of copyright and the civil law system based on “droit d’auteur” (author’s rights), with a special focus on electronic and Internet issues. Recommended: One basic Intellectual Property Course.

LAWI 9100 INTERNATIONAL LAW

[3 hours] This course focuses on the legal processes of the international community. The creation of law among nation states, the law-making activities of international organizations, the enforcement (and non-enforcement) of international law in both national and international forums, the limits of national jurisdiction, the responsibility of states for the injuries to the persons or property of aliens and the rules governing international agreements are surveyed. Particular attention is given to the law of treaties and the role of lawyers in foreign policy decision making.

LAWI 9500 JEWISH LAW

[2-3 hours] Jewish law is a dynamic, vibrant legal system that includes many of the specialties of modern law. It developed through over three millennia from the days of the Hebrew Bible and has areas that are still operative. It passed through every historic era and matured in various jurisdictions. It has had a profound influence on European and Anglo-American legal systems. The course will focus on the political background and legal response in each historic period, the character of the literary and legal sources and examples of characteristic features of the substantive law.

LAWI 9200 JURISPRUDENCE

[2-3 hours] Jurisprudence is the philosophy of law. The two primary goals of this class are 1) to give students a basic background and understanding of important legal thinkers and theory and 2) to stimulate critical thinking through assigned readings and rollicking in-class discussions about concepts of law from Plato to present day. We will philosophically analyze concepts of precedence, interpretation, rights, civil disobedience, semantics, and virtues such as justice, desert and compassion.

LAWI 9490 JUVENILE LAW

[2-3 hours] An examination of the relationship between children, their parents, siblings and the state in the lives of delinquent, unruly, dependent, neglected and abused children. The role of the court, judiciary, attorneys, police and social

services historically, and in modern practice, will be examined as to the impact on families and individuals brought before the juvenile court. Special emphasis will be given to the theory of the juvenile justice system; the various court alternatives to adjudication; dispositional considerations and the attorney's role in representing the child, parents or serving as a guardian ad litem.

LAWI 9510 LABOR LAW

[3 hours] This course focuses on the law governing and policy issues surrounding the major facets of union-management relations in the private sector under the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA). These include union organizing, collective bargaining, contract enforcement, picketing and the economic weapons of both sides, including strikes. The course also covers the procedural mechanisms by which rights under the NLRA are enforced and remedies for NLRA violations.

LAWI 9820 LAND USE LAW

[2-3 hours] This course explores the rapidly evolving area of public land use regulation in the context of private property development rights and constitutional protections of those rights. Regulatory areas examined include: zoning, subdivision controls, environmental land use controls, development exactions, aesthetic regulations, and growth controls, as well as land use planning requirements. First and Fifth Amendment issues are explored along with a variety of key public policy questions.

LAWI 9600 LAW AND LITERATURE

[2-3 hours] A study of the relationship between literary development and criticism and the law. The class studies great works of literature and examines their meaning for the law in general and the lawyer in particular.

LAWI 9660 LEGISLATIVE PROCESS AND DRAFTING

[2-3 hours] The Legislative Drafting course focuses on legislative drafting techniques and surveys legal drafting, limitations on legislation, statutory interpretation, legislative procedure and professional responsibility. Students will draft a bill for an actual client and write a scholarly paper in support of the bill.

LAWI 9670 MENTAL HEALTH LAW

[2-3 hours] Mental Health Law deals with the rights of persons with mental disabilities. Topics considered are: civil commitment, right to treatment, right to refuse treatment, Americans with Disabilities Act, competence to stand trial, the doctrine of "not guilty by reason of insanity," and dangerous offender statutes.

LAWI 9770 NAFTA

[2-3 hours] This course will begin with an overview of free trade in North America. Then it will turn to an in-depth examination of different areas of commerce affected by the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA): the movement of goods, the cross border provision of services, the treatment of

foreign investments, the protection of intellectual property and dispute settlement procedures. Next, it will consider the labor and environmental side agreements. Finally, it will explore how the NAFTA may be expanded in the future.

LAWI 9690 NATIVE AMERICAN LAW

[2-3 hours] This course will initially examine the legal concepts of “Native American” individual and tribe. The study of unique (and not so unique) aspects of the treatment of Native American individuals and tribes under the U.S. Constitution, treaties, and national, tribal and state law will form the heart of the course. Attention will be given to issues relating to tribal government and tribal courts, criminal and civil jurisdiction over Indians and non-Indians, environmental regulation on reservation lands, commercial trade in Indian art, casino gaming, the American Indian Religious Freedom Act and the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act.

LAWI 9390 NATURAL RESOURCES LAW

[2-3 hours] This course provides an introduction to natural resources law and policy affecting both public lands and private property. Conflicts over natural resources, including their protection and use, are among the most contentious legal and policy issues of our time. Students explore the reasons why, the roles governmental authorities play in the management of natural resources, and the laws and policies pertaining to wildlife, preservation, conservation, protected lands, forestry, mining, energy resources, water rights and other natural resources. Key federal statutes such as the National Environmental Policy Act and the Endangered Species Act are reviewed as well as cases, regulations, and commentary.

LAWI 9710 PATENT LAW

[2-3 hours] A survey of the legal protection of inventions. This course covers the requirements for obtaining and enforcing a patent and the rights of a patentee with respect to licensing, assignment and patent misuse. Recommended: Intellectual Property Survey.

LAWI 9700 PATENT PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE

[2-3 hours] A hands-on course focusing on both regulatory requirements and attorney skills relating to representation of investors before the Patent and Trademark Office. The course will follow a patent attorney’s relationship with an inventor and the written PTO responses, appeals and finally patent grant.

LAWI 9730 PENSION AND EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

[2-3 hours] A study of the law regarding employment benefits, such as ERISA, focusing on various forms of pension plans, and health and welfare plans. The law will address issues of plan qualification under the tax code and also applicable labor laws and regulations. Some familiarity with tax concepts would be helpful but is not required.

LAWI 9790 PRACTICE PREPARATION

[3 hours] This is a skills development and pre-bar preparatory course designed to introduce students to certain critical and analytical and writing skills, techniques, protocols, and frameworks that are essential to maximize bar exam preparation and ultimately pass the bar exam. Students will review outlines for selected substantive topics, complete in-class and at-home simulated bar exam tests and assignments, and receive feedback. Through the use of problems and exercises in a bar exam format, students will become familiar with techniques for answering multiple choice questions, essays, and performance tests that comprise the bar exam in Ohio and other states. It is reserved for third year students and is graded on a pass/fail basis.

LAWI 9750 PRODUCTS LIABILITY

An examination of the law relating to products liability. Particular emphasis will be given to strict liability in tort, with coverage of negligence and warranty-based products claims. Discussions will cover design and manufacturing defects and failure to warn. Applications to contemporary problem areas, such as pharmaceuticals, automobiles, and tobacco, will be explored.

LAWP 9000 PUBLIC SECTOR LABOR LAW SEMINAR

[2-3 hours] This seminar covers various models of public sector labor relations laws, including but not limited to the Ohio public sector labor statute. It focuses on the differing degrees to which public sector unions in different jurisdictions can bargain, resolve bargaining impasses (through strikes or mediation and arbitration), and enforce contracts with employers. This seminar also stresses issues unique to the public sector, including constitutional rules, civil service statutes and the rights of individual public employees.

LAWI 9760 PUBLICLY HELD CORPORATIONS

[2-3 hours] This course focuses on legal issues that are commonly faced by larger corporations, and the special concerns involved in protecting widely scattered shareholder constituencies. Topics covered include directors' role in large corporations, social responsibility of large businesses, the growing prominence of institutional investors, securities fraud, insider trading, shareholder meetings, proxy solicitations, shareholder litigation, mergers and tender offers. Prerequisite: Business Associations.

LAWP 9000 RACE AND AMERICAN LAW SEMINAR

[2-3 hours] This seminar addresses the racial and legal history of the major racial groups in the U.S., including African Americans, Native Americans, Asian Americans, Latinos and Whites. In addition to these histories, the seminar includes the following topics: Competing definitions of race and racism; race, voting, and participation in democracy; developing notions of equality; segregation

and education; and responses to racism, including resistance, coalitions, and healing.

LAWI 9160 REAL ESTATE FINANCE

[2-3 hours] The legal problems related to private financing and development of land. Emphasis is on the structuring of real estate transactions, tax considerations and problems of developers, lenders and other participants.

LAWI 9560 REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

[2-3 hours] The course will address negotiating, structuring, performing, and closing the real estate transaction. It will also cover remedies, methods of title assurance, the condominium and other forms of ownership. Course includes exercises in drafting, negotiating and closing a contract for the sale of land.

LAWI 9780 REMEDIES

[2-3 hours] The course in Remedies is about the bottom line. It is about what a court can do for a litigant who has been wronged or is about to be wronged. The most common remedies are judgments for money and injunctions against defendants to prevent them from wronging plaintiffs or to require them to undo wrongs. The course takes up questions such as the measure of relief, the relationship between legal and equitable remedies, declaratory remedies, benefit to the defendant as the measure of relief in restitution, punitive remedies, enforcing judgments, equitable defenses, immunities and federal interference with state law enforcement.

LAWI 9060 SALES AND LEASES OF GOODS

[2-3 hours] A detailed study of sales of goods under Article 2 of the Uniform Commercial Code and a survey of both Article 2A of the Uniform Commercial Code (leases of goods) and the U.N. Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of goods. Topics include contract formation and interpretation, warranties, express and implied terms, risk of loss, performance obligations and breach, and remedies for breach. Consideration may also be given to other state and federal laws affecting sales and leases of goods. Prerequisite: Contracts I and II.

LAWI 9800 SECURITIES REGULATION

[2-3 hours] This course focuses on the disclosure requirements of the federal securities laws which apply when businesses raise capital and when their shares are publicly traded. It examines the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, selected provision of the Securities Exchange Act and state blue sky laws. It covers extensively the structuring of exempt transactions for small businesses. The course is taught primarily from a transactional, rather than a litigation, focus. Prerequisite: Business Associations.

LAWI 9810 SENTENCING

[2-3 hours] A survey of the law relating to the disposition of individuals convicted of crimes. Topics include sentencing authority, ex post facto laws, factual bases for sentencing, probation, parole, the death penalty and state and federal sentencing guidelines. Prerequisite: Criminal Law and Constitutional Law.

LAWP 9000 SEXUALITY AND THE LAW SEMINAR

[2-3 hours] This seminar will consider the theory behind the interaction of law and sexuality. It may inquire into, inter alia, (1) the nature of sexuality (as influenced by both biology and socio-legal categories); (2) the history of the relationship between law and sexuality; (3) the present state of the law on sexuality; and (4) arguments for alternate future legal regimes as envisioned by adherents of natural law, the gay rights movement, queer theory, etc. It may also consider the constitutional limitations (through equal protection, substantive due process, free speech, and free association doctrine) on governmental control over sexuality via statutory and regulatory regimes (e.g., the imposition of criminal penalties on sexual conduct; the prevention of sexuality-based discrimination in employment, educational, and military settings; and the grant of affirmative marriage and family benefits). Students who successfully complete this seminar will receive credit for one upper level research and writing experience.

LAWI 9870 SPORTS LAW

[2-4 hours] A substantive examination of concepts and cases from legal disciplines which affect professional sports including antitrust law, labor law, contracts, tax and civil procedure. Course includes exercises in negotiating, drafting and tax planning.

LAWI 9680 STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW AND TAXATION

[2-3 hours] An overview of the law relating to the administration of municipalities and their dealings with other local governmental units. Topics include the powers and problems of urban governmental units, federalism, corporate powers and police powers. Coverage includes the basic law and rules relating to the financing of local government and the various sources of tax revenue for local governments.

LAWI 9890 TOXIC SUBSTANCES

[2-3 hours] This course addresses policies and law governing toxic substances and wastes. We will analyze federal statutes dealing with pesticides, chemical wastes and other toxic substances, as well as alternatives to the use of toxics, such as biotechnology and the regulation of genetically modified organisms. Common law theories arising in toxic tort litigation (such as the cases addressed in *A Civil Action* and *Erin Brockovich*) will also be explored. Students will gain familiarity with risk assessment, the health sciences and environmental science in order to assess and understand legislative and regulatory goals and choices in controlling toxic substances.

LAWI 9900 TRADEMARKS AND TRADE SECRETS

[2-3 hours] A survey of business torts covering such topics as trademark infringement, trade secret misappropriation, product disparagement, right to publicity and false advertising. This course will also study the regulation of advertising by the Federal Trade Commission. Recommended: Intellectual Property Survey.

LAWI 9930 WATER LAW

[2-3 hours] This course focuses on the laws governing surface and ground water resources, with an emphasis on allocation and management issues. Because water is perhaps our most vital natural resource, and because it is often in scarce supply relative to demand, disputes over its use have been and will continue to be of crucial importance. Students explore common law, statutory and constitutional issues, at the state and federal levels. Topics crucial to the Great Lakes region are particularly emphasized.

LAWI 9940 WHITE COLLAR CRIME

[2-3 hours] A survey of the federal criminal law relating to crimes committed by corporations and non-traditional criminals. Topics include corporate criminal liability, wire and mail fraud, RICO, money laundering, false claims and false statements, tax crimes, environmental crimes, perjury and obstruction of justice. Prerequisite: Criminal Law.

**LAWL – Law
Law Review/Moot Court (LAW)**

LAWL 9110 LAW REVIEW I

[1-2 hours] Course is graded on a Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory basis. Course requires the successful completion of a publishable manuscript as determined by the editor-in-chief and faculty adviser of the Law Review.

LAWL 9120 LAW REVIEW II

[1-2 hours] Only students who have successfully completed Law Review I and who are serving as editors of the Law Review will be permitted to register for Law Review II. Enrollment is selective. Prerequisite: Law Review I.

LAWL 9150 MOOT COURT I

[1-2 hours] Students participate in interscholastic Moot Court competitions, each of which deals with a particular area of law, such as: international law, labor and employment law, corporate law, sports law, tax, intellectual property, criminal law and constitutional law. Students will prepare a brief and present an appellate argument at a regional or national competition. Prerequisite: Enrollment is based on try-outs held in the spring, and each team requires enrollment in other courses

based on the subject matter of the competition. All students are also required to take Writing for Moot Court and Advanced Research and Writing.

LAWL 9160 MOOT COURT II

[1-2 hours] Students participate in or coach Moot Court or Trial Advocacy teams. Students are also required to judge rounds of the annual Fornoff Moot Court competition. Prerequisite: Moot Court I.

LAWL 9180 TRIAL ADVOCACY I

[1-2 hours] Students participate in interscholastic trial advocacy competitions. Students on the trial advocacy team will conduct a trial against counsel from other schools; including making opening and closing statements, introducing evidence and examining and cross-examining witnesses. Prerequisite: Enrollment is based on try-outs held in the spring.

LAWL 9190 TRIAL ADVOCACY II

[1-2 hours] Students participate in and/or judge interscholastic trial advocacy competitions. Students on the trial advocacy team will conduct a trial against counsel from other schools; including making opening and closing statements, introducing evidence and examining and cross-examining witnesses. Prerequisite: Trial Advocacy I.

LAWL 9210 WRITING FOR LAW REVIEW

Writing for Law Review develops and explores the principles and techniques of "Thinking Like a Writer" and "Thinking Like an Editor." The principles and techniques of Large-scale Organization, Small-scale Organization, Syntax, Choice of Words, Punctuation, Style, and Editing are considered. The class discussion of each set of principles and techniques is followed by a workshop session in which they are deployed and short writing samples are exchanged and critiqued.

LAWL 9220 WRITING FOR MOOT COURT

[1 hour] Students who have been chosen to compete on a Moot Court team will be required to take this course, which focuses on teaching advanced advocacy skills for practice before the appellate courts. It covers advanced persuasive writing, the rules of appellate court procedure, as well as advanced research and oral argument techniques. Students must also take Advanced Research and Writing concurrently with this course.

**LAWN – Law
Clinics & Skills (LAW)**

LAWN 9950 ADVANCED DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND JUVENILE LAW CLINIC

[2-4 hours] In the Advanced Domestic Violence and Juvenile Law Clinic, students will act more independently as lead counsel for clients and may assume

some supervisory responsibilities on cases handled by students in the basic Domestic Violence and Juvenile Law Clinic. In addition, depending on student interest, students may conduct research on issues relating to domestic violence or juvenile law. Prerequisites: Domestic Violence and Juvenile Law Clinic, permission of instructor.

LAWN 9020 ADVANCED LEGAL RESEARCH

[2-3 hours] An in-depth view of legal bibliography in both print and electronic formats. Detailed attention given to encyclopedias, treatises, and various general and topical indexes, digests, and citators as well as web based compilations of legal materials.

LAWN 9420 ADVANCED DISPUTE RESOLUTION CLINIC

[3 hours] The Advanced Dispute Resolution Clinic emphasizes development of skills beyond those achieved in the basic clinic. The course provides students with the opportunity to become involved in mediations in a number of courts throughout Lucas County and Northwest Ohio. Prerequisite: Dispute Resolution clinic and permission of instructor

LAWN 9930 ADVANCED LEGAL CLINIC

[2-4 hours] The Advanced Legal Clinic emphasizes development of skills beyond those achieved in the basic clinic. The program is tailored to meet the needs and interests of individual students. Typically, students in the Advanced Legal Clinic are assigned more complex legal matters, mentor students in the basic Legal Clinic, and/or work on policy or legislative projects. Prerequisite: Legal Clinic, permission of instructor

LAWN 9330 ADVANCED CRIMINAL LAW PRACTICE PROGRAM

[3-4 hours] The Advanced Criminal Law Practice Program trains students in advanced skills of prosecution. Students undertake more challenging tasks than those typically undertaken in the basic clinic. For example, students may conduct jury trials, make appellate arguments, or draft clinical training manuals. Prerequisite: Criminal Law Practice Program.

LAWN 9090 ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

[2-3 hours] This survey course starts with a comparison of various adjudicatory and non-adjudicatory methods of dispute resolution and then proceeds to an in-depth study of negotiation, mediation and arbitration as well as various hybrid dispute resolution processes such as the mini-trial, the summary jury trial, early neutral evaluation, mediation-arbitration and ombudsmen. Attention is also given to client interviewing and counseling.

LAWN 9310 CRIMINAL LAW PRACTICE PROGRAM

[4-6 hours] The Criminal Law Practice Program trains law students in basic prosecutorial skills and values. Students serve externships in local prosecutor

offices trying cases, plea-bargaining and interviewing witnesses. The clinic may be taken for either six or four credit hours. Recommended: Criminal Procedure. Prerequisite: Evidence.

LAWN 9410 DISPUTE RESOLUTION CLINIC

[2/4 hours] In the Dispute Resolution Clinic, second and third year students have the unique opportunity to learn mediation skills and apply those skills mediating in the Lucas County Juvenile Court and Toledo Municipal Court. This fieldwork experience provides hands-on training in the area of alternative dispute resolution. Skills such as listening, communication and negotiation are stressed in both the fieldwork and weekly classroom component. Students are taught theoretical technique and are exposed to a variety of topics and speakers in the Alternative Dispute Resolution field. This clinical program is designed to teach practical skills and give the students an opportunity to interact in the legal community in a new and emerging area of law. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

LAWN 9940 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & JUVENILE LAW CLINIC

[4 hours] The Domestic Violence and Juvenile Law Clinic deals with a variety of legal and policy issues affecting survivors of domestic violence, including representation to obtain protection orders, dissolution of marriage and attendant issues of custody and support. The Clinic also handles juvenile law matters including parentage, parental rights, and adoptions. Admission is by the permission of the instructor. It is recommended, but not required, that students complete at least 59 credit hours and apply for certification as legal interns under Rule II of the Ohio Supreme Court Rules for the Governance of the Bar.

LAWN 9190 INTERVIEWING AND COUNSELING

[2-3 hours] Most lawyers in both litigation and transactional practice spend substantial amounts of their time interviewing and counseling clients. The goals of this course are to develop understanding of theories and techniques of client interviewing and counseling and to assist students to develop skills in performance of interviewing and counseling. Readings and class discussion impart knowledge of theory and techniques. Mere understanding, however, is insufficient to develop performance competence. To develop competence in performance of these skills, students participate in simulations based on case files that will be distributed. Simulations will be recorded on videotape and will be evaluated by the performer, classmates and the instructor.

LAWN 9030 LAW PRACTICE

[2-3 hours] An introduction to management of a law practice. This course will develop concepts related to four areas: Business Management, Practice Management, Client Management and Life Management. In the area of Business Management, students will be exposed to business start-up considerations, including choice of entity, financing, bookkeeping and trust accounting. In the area of Practice management, the students will cover administrative and

substantive systems, including conflicts of interest, docket management, form files and employee management. In Client Management, the students will be exposed to issues related to client acceptance, declination, disengagement, client satisfaction and malpractice to name a few. Quality Management rounds out the course with quality of life issues such as succession planning, contingency arrangements, substance abuse and maintaining a balance in life. Grading for this course is satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis only.

LAWN 9910 LEGAL CLINIC

[4 hours] The Legal Clinic focuses on development of skills such as interviewing, counseling, negotiation, problem-solving, fact investigation, strategy formation and development, drafting, trial and appellate work, and the application of those skills to a real life professional setting. Typical practice includes probate, domestic relations, administrative law, landlord and tenant, consumer and civil rights cases. In addition, students may work on law reform and policy projects. Students in the clinic are the primary contact for clients, and are given responsibility for work on all aspects of the case under the close supervision of clinic faculty. Classroom meetings focus on practical, substantive, procedural and ethical issues, especially as they relate to the clients and cases handled by the clinic. Admission is by the permission of the instructor. It is recommended, but not required, that students complete at least 59 credit hours and apply for certification as legal interns under Rule II of the Ohio Supreme Court Rules for the Governance of the Bar.

LAWN 9040 MEDIATION AND SETTLEMENT

[2-3 hours] This course explores the theory and practice of mediation from the standpoint of both the mediator and the attorney-advocate. The course includes several mediation simulations that require preparation of post-mediation evaluations. Other topics include mediator roles and functions, agenda setting, issue identification, communication skills, power balancing, the caucus, ethical issues and the place of mediation in the larger context of Alternative Dispute Resolution.

LAWN 9050 NEGOTIATION AND SETTLEMENT

[2-3 hours] This course focuses on developing an analytical framework for preparing, conducting and evaluating negotiations. A variety of negotiation strategies and tactics are explored including cooperative, problem-solving and competitive, positional approaches. Students conduct approximately ten negotiations that explore a variety of deal-making and dispute resolution fact situations.

LAWN 9100 NEGOTIATION THEORY AND STRATEGY

[3 hours] This practical, skills course develops a series of conceptual structures for understanding negotiation as a coherent process and for understanding the strategic dynamics of all negotiating situations. The goal of the course is to encourage students to become skilled, versatile, and effective

negotiators by applying the relevant structures, theories, and strategies to legal negotiations that will be scheduled each week of the course.

LAWN 9610 PUBLIC SERVICE EXTERNSHIP

[1-6 hours] The Public Service Externship Clinic is a field placement program in which students are placed in structured legal settings with public service attorneys and programs. There is a required classroom component in which issues relating to learning from experience are explored. The program is available year round with out-of-town placements available in the summer term.

LAWN 9000 TRIAL PRACTICE

[3 hours] Simulated exercises and trials, including such matters as pretrial motions, jury selection, opening statement, presentation of evidence, cross-examination, witness impeachment, closing argument and jury instructions. Emphasis is given to developing and proving a theory of the case. Prerequisite: Evidence.

**LAWP – Law
Writing courses/Independent Research (LAW)**

LAWP 9000 ADVANCED APPELLATE ADVOCACY SEMINAR

[2-3 hours] The course focuses on teaching advanced advocacy skills for practice before the appellate courts. It covers advanced persuasive writing, the rules of appellate court procedure, as well as advanced research and oral argument techniques. Earning a grade of “C” or better fulfills one of the two Advanced Research and Writing Requirements.

LAWP 9040 ADVANCED LEGAL WRITING

[2-3 hours] This is a practicum course that develops the theory and practice of cognitive legal writing, i.e., legal writing that is well-organized, precise, effective and persuasive. This approach to legal writing is applicable to briefs, memoranda, opinion letters and letters to clients.

LAWP 9000 SEMINAR

[2-3 hours] Seminars are offered in a wide variety of subject areas. In addition to class work, seminars require a substantial research project. Seminars are listed throughout the Law Electives.

LAWP 9400 DRAFTING WILLS AND TRUSTS

[2-3 hours] The course’s primary goals are to improve student drafting skills in general and to provide practical experience in will and trust drafting. Students design drafting solutions to a series of particular exercises. A final, comprehensive drafting project is required.

LAWP 9010 HONORS RESEARCH I

[2 hours] A student who has completed 30 semester hours in the College of Law and who has a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher may apply to undertake honors research. The student must submit a topic and detailed research proposal four weeks prior to enrollment to a faculty member who agrees to take primary responsibility to supervise the student's work. Two other faculty members are appointed by the Dean to serve on the student's advisory committee. The research and writing take place over two semesters and culminate in a written thesis intended for publication. The student must orally defend his or her thesis before the advisory committee and interested members of the University community. The purpose of the program is to provide an opportunity for students to make a contribution to the professional literature through concentrated study in an area of interest. The advisory committee decides on the grade that will be awarded to the project.

LAWP 9020 HONORS RESEARCH II

[2 hours] A student who has completed 30 semester hours in the College of Law and who has a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher may apply to undertake honors research. The student must submit a topic and detailed research proposal four weeks prior to enrollment to a faculty member who agrees to take primary responsibility to supervise the student's work. Two other faculty members are appointed by the Dean to serve on the student's advisory committee. The research and writing take place over two semesters and culminate in a written thesis intended for publication. The student must orally defend his or her thesis before the advisory committee and interested members of the University community. The purpose of the program is to provide an opportunity for students to make a contribution to the professional literature through concentrated study in an area of interest. The advisory committee decides on the grade that will be awarded to the project.

LAWP 9050 INDEPENDENT RESEARCH

[2 hours] A student who has completed at least 30 semester hours in the College of Law and who has a grade point average of 2.0 or higher may undertake and complete individual research and writing for credit under an Independent Research Program. To enroll in the program, a student must submit a written proposal to the faculty member agreeing to take primary responsibility for that student. If the faculty member and the Dean approve the proposal, the student may then enroll for two hours of credit for one semester. The supervising faculty member decides on the grade that will be awarded to the project.

LAWT – Law Experimental Courses (LAW)

LAWT 9600 ADVANCED TRIAL PRACTICE

[2 hours] An examination of the development and adjudication of complex civil and criminal cases through demonstration and performance exercises. Students will participate in developing juror profiles and the creation of jury instructions; the direct and cross examination of expert witnesses; the introduction, handling and admissibility of exhibit evidence; and the recognition of constitutional issues arising during the trial. Prerequisite: Evidence and Trial Practice or Trial Advocacy team.

LAWT 9600 ART & CULTURAL PROPERTY LAW

[2 hours] This course offers a structured introduction to two distinct topics – Art Law and Cultural Property Law. The first part of the course considers the legal rights of artists, merchants, collectors, and museums. The second part considers wider legal and social policy issues concerning public and private ownership and control over culturally-important property. The latter part of the course will explore selected topics which may include historic preservation law, archeological resources law, international and domestic law governing looted art objects and U.S. law governing ownership of indigenous cultural objects.

LAWT 9600 INCOME TAXATION OF TRUSTS AND ESTATES

[1-2 hours] This course involves the study of the allocation of the income tax attributes generated by the economic activity of certain of grantor trusts, complex trusts, simple trusts and decedent's estates. For instance, the course will cover the analysis of questions such as: If a trust investment yields dividend gross income, who bears the burden of such income in an income tax calculation? It is not a study of the transfer taxes – the gift and estate taxes. The course will be assessed based on a final exam. Prerequisite: Federal Income Tax. Strongly recommended prior course work: Trusts and Estates, and Estate and Gift Tax.

LAWT 9360 MEDICINE FOR LAWYERS

[2 hours] This course, taught by a medical doctor with a JD, addresses practical litigation issues involved in health care law. It focuses on the use and interpretation by the lawyer of the medical record. Regardless of the nature of the action brought, negligence, malpractice, toxic tort, worker's compensation or medical fraud and abuse claims, the medical record is a foundation document in the preparation of the case for both plaintiff and defendant. The attorney must understand both the medical content and meaning of the record, including anatomy and pathophysiology, as well as the documentation of the duty and delivery of care in the record to effectively sustain an argument.

LAWT 9600 POST CONVICTION PRACTICUM

[3 hours] This class will provide a comprehensive overview of state and federal post-conviction remedies. Students will receive instruction regarding substantive issues involving both direct and post-conviction appeals. There will also be a strong clinical component with students working on actual pending appeals. The

students will also benefit from relevant speakers including an inmate's family who will discuss their experiences with the legal system, judges and other experienced attorneys. Students will complete this class with enhanced research, writing, analytical and interview skills that will assist them in any future area of practice. This class is limited to 8 students.

LAWP 9000 PRETRIAL LITIGATION SEMINAR

[2-3 hours] Pretrial Litigation is a seminar course designed to introduce students to legal writing and advocacy from the perspective of a practitioner in a typical law office. Students handle a legal controversy from its inception through the end of the pretrial phase of litigation. In this context, students draft a variety of documents, such as pleadings, discovery requests, jury instructions, a dispositive motion and supporting memorandum of law. Students are also introduced to alternative dispute resolution. The course is structured to provide extensive feedback on all assignments.

LAWT 9600 SPECIAL TOPICS

[1-6 hours] Courses covering special topics and current events.

LAWT 9600 TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS

[2 hours] This course examines the formation, organization and operation of tax-exempt entities including charitable organizations and private foundations. Activities conducted through not-for-profit organizations constitute one of the largest sectors of the economy. While sharing some features with for-profit taxable organizations, tax exempt organizations face business and legal issues unique to their status as "tax-exempt". We examine the complicated tax rules affecting tax-exempt organizations as well as governance and other charitable matters. Prerequisite: Federal Income Tax.

LAWT 9630 TAX FRAUD

[2 hours] This course first considers civil tax cases, with emphasis upon negotiation between taxpayers' counsel and Internal Revenue Service personnel, and upon Tax Court procedure. The course then takes up criminal tax prosecutions, with emphasis upon the interaction of IRS civil and criminal investigatory powers, and upon defense of the typical tax prosecution.

FLEX COURSES

The College of Law offers a wide variety of flex courses, which are one-credit advanced electives usually taught over one or more weekends. These courses are taught by practitioners and law faculty members who are national and international experts in their respective fields. The flex course offerings vary from semester to semester and we cannot guarantee that any particular flex course will be offered in the future. The list of flex courses can be found [here](#).